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The President of the United States
The White House
Washington 25, D. C.

My dear Mr. President:

Several questions, disturbing to American citizens, are raised by the recent spy plane case.

First, is there no responsible control over the activities of the C.I.A.? That these spy flights, with all their inherent danger of precipitating war, have been going on for four years is alarming enough. But that such a flight should have been sent out at this moment just before the Summit Meeting indicates either incredible stupidity or a positive desire to sabotage this meeting of heads of state from which the whole world had hoped for an easing of tensions, a test ban treaty, and some insurance of human survival through disarmament.

Second, if unarmed (and possibly armed) flights of this illegal kind are common practice, is it not true that the power to plunge us into war now rests with any one of hundreds of young daredevils willing to gamble their lives, and perhaps the lives of all humanity, for the high pay involved?

Third, what of the superior morality claimed by the government of a professedly Christian nation which lies and, when caught, justifies the act which it tried to hide by claiming that it was no worse than acts done by a totalitarian Communist government whose immorality it consistently condemns?

Fourth, if the plea of "necessity" must be made by both sides for acts of spying in peacetime as well as for the cold-blooded preparation of chemical, biological and nuclear weapons for destroying humanity, is it not clear that the war system must now be wholly eliminated by complete world disarmament and the acceptance of compulsory peaceful settlement of international disputes?

If our national honor is to be salvaged, let us make of the Summit Meeting an occasion for such a total peace proposal by the United States.

Sincerely yours,

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Remarks:

Recommend there be no reply since she merely sent us a copy of a letter she sent to the President of the U.S.

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